

MINUTES OF THE LOWER SAN PITCH RIVER DISTRIBUTION MEETING

Held at the Courthouse in Manti, Utah  
August 7, 1968 at 1:00 P.M.

Mr. Hubert C. Lambert, State Engineer, opened the meeting with a few general remarks concerning the purpose of the meeting; that being the selecting of a river commissioner, a committee to represent the group, and the adoption of a budget and a basis of assessment. After explaining to the group the importance of a commissioner for regulating the water and gathering records, he turned the meeting over to Donald C. Norseth, Distribution Engineer.

Mr. Norseth read a summary of the meeting held on May 17, 1967, which was the preliminary meeting to organize a distribution system on the Lower San Pitch River.

James G. Olsen stated that he felt our office had not sent out enough notices and requested that when we have any future meetings, a notice be published in the local newspaper. Mr. Norseth informed the group that our office felt we had served proper notice and Mr. Olsen's suggestion of publishing the meeting notice in the newspaper was a good idea and we would do so for future meetings.

Mr. Ben Kjar asked the question, "What is the purpose of this meeting?" Mr. Lambert explained again the purpose of the meeting as Mr. Kjar had arrived after the meeting had started.

Mr. Norseth asked the group what period of time they wanted the commissioner to be on the job. After much discussion, it was decided to appoint a commissioner on a year round basis beginning January 1, 1969.

Mr. Norseth told the group that our office only had one possibility for a commissioner, that being Roger Walker, and asked the group for their recommendations.

After considerable discussion, Mr. Ben Kjar recommended that they appoint a committee to submit a commissioner to the State Engineer for consideration as to

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qualifications. Mr. Lambert suggested that this same committee set up a permanent committee to represent the group at future meetings with the State Engineer.

The committee to select the commissioner and permanent committee for representation is to be contacted by Earl Staker within 10 days for their decision.

The committee is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AREA REPRESENTED</u>
Ben Kjar	Drainage District
Neil Nielson	Gunnison
Fred Braithwaite	Sterling
Neil Sorensen	Mayfield
Ned Madsen	Manti
Stanley Price	Price Diversion
Erwin Roberts	Gunnison-Fayette

Mr. Norseth indicated that the next order of business was the adoption of a budget for the year beginning January 1, 1969.

The group decided on the following budget:

Commissioner's Salary	\$2400.00
Matching Social Security	105.00
Matching State Retirement	96.00
Bonds & Insurance	25.00
Annual Report	50.00
Travel @ 10¢	700.00
Miscellaneous	124.00
Total Budget for 1969	<u>\$3500.00</u>

Mr. Norseth explained that the assessment would have to be on an acreage basis for the first couple of years until we can gather enough records to assess on the amount of water used. Mr. Staker will contact the individuals involved to confirm our records for acreage.

The following is a list of the individuals present at the meeting:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
John K. Olsen	Self
Neal Madsen	Self
Vail H. Nielson	Self
Brent Larson	Self
J. Neil Nielson	Gunnison Irrigation Company
J. Keith Malmgren	Gunnison Irrigation Company
Reed Christensen	Twin Lakes Reservoir

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NAME

Melvin Hansen  
Lindon Anderson  
James G. Olsen  
Fred L. Braithwaite  
Royal Bown  
Erwin Roberts, President  
Randell Hendrickson  
Stanley Price  
Richard Christensen  
Ben Kjar  
Leslie Madsen  
Richard Jensen  
Bruce Bown  
Melvin Ramsey  
Neil Sorensen  
Frank E. Madsen  
Hubert C. Lambert  
Donald C. Norseth  
Earl M. Staker

REPRESENTING

Mayfield, Utah  
Sterling Irrigation Company  
San Pitch River & Bagnall Ditch  
North Six-Mile Irrigation Company  
North Six-Mile Irrigation Company  
Gunnison-Fayette Canal Company  
Gunnison-Fayette Canal Company  
Price Dam  
Price Dam  
Manti, Utah  
Self  
North Six-Mile Irrigation Company  
North Six-Mile Irrigation Company  
Self  
Mayfield Irrigation Company  
Manti, Utah  
State Engineer  
State Engineer  
State Engineer